

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L DACCA 1300

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SHUM, PINT, BG  
SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS IN BANGLADESH

REF: STATE 43181

1. DURING INITIAL CALL ON NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL FAROUQ SOBHAN, POLCOUNSELOR RAISED HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES ALONG LINES OF DUBS-SIDDIQI CONVERSATION (REFTEL).
2. SOBHAN SAID THAT SUBJECT WAS A DELICATE ONE FOR BDG BUT THAT HE WOULD INQUIRE AND SEE WHAT INFORMATION COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE ABOUT EXECUTIONS FOLLOWING OCTOBER MUTINY. HE HAD NOT YET SEEN SIDDIQI'S REPORT OF THE DISCUSSION IN WASHINGTON.
3. COMMENT: IT DOES NOT SEEM LIKELY THAT SOBHAN WILL PRODUCE FULL INFORMATION, BUT HE HAS BEEN MADE AWARE THAT EXCHANGES ON HUMAN RIGHTS TOPICS ARE HELPFUL BOTH TO US AND BANGLADESHIS IN OUR ATTEMPTS TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT AND PUT SITUATION HERE IN BALANCED PERSPECTIVE.
4. ON ANOTHER ASPECT OF HUMAN RIGHTS, LOCAL PRESS MARCH 2 CARRIED TASS RELEASE THAT CIA IS FUNDING

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